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TABLE CENTERS ARE GROWING SIMPLER

The good housekeeper knows that the cooking of food is not the only thing that matters. Even well-cooked food can be improved by dainty serving. Soiled table linen, wilted flowers and tawdry decorations will spoil any meal, while, on the other hand, dainty, tasty table decorations will improve it, says a writer for the San Diego Union.

Table centers can do a great deal towards beautifying a table, but the mistake is very often made of having them too elaborate. The days of the befrilled and fluffy table center are gone, and a much simpler style reigns instead.

If you cannot draw, get some friend to make a simple design of a spray of daisies and transfer it to your material. You will want half a yard square of fine cream canvas.

Draw a thread and make a narrow hem all round. Then, quite near the hem, transfer on a scallop edging, and work this scallop edging with a mercerized embroidery thread, in straight, simple stitches.

The daisy design should be a very easy one. The girl who can use her pencil will doubtless pencil it on her canvas.

Soft ribbon is used for the daisies. Thread it with a darning needle, and form each daisy petal with just one stitch; the centers are filled in with French knots. These are worked with floss, and the silk is put three times round the needle to form somewhat large knots.

The stalks are worked in stem stitch in green floss and the little leaves are formed by one stitch of the floss on each side of the stalks.

The center may be edged with any suitable lace, but the crocheted worker will prefer to use hand-made crochet, worked in a coarse cream cotton in a shade to match the canvas.

This design could be carried out in any shade. Work the daisies in white ribbon with pale yellow centers, and upon it place a green glass vase filled with marguerites and ferns, and the effect will be refreshing.

Pink daisies look pretty with brown centers, brown stalks and leaves.

A center in which the daisies are worked in a bright orange shade would also be charming.

People who own a really nice oak or mahogany dining table often prefer to use no table cloth at all, and merely have a table center and small mats or strips before each person to prevent the hot plates marking the polished surface of the table.

JUDGE SPEAR TO PRACTICE

Columbus, O., Jan. 2.—Undaunted by considerations of age, Judge William T. Spear, who terminated 27 years' service on the supreme bench of the state, will resume the interrupted practice of law. He is 77 years old, but has sent out announcements that he will engage in the practice of law, with offices at 8 East Broad street, this city.

MANY AFTER SUPT'S JOB

Columbus, O., Jan. 2.—Applicants for the position of superintendent of the Boys' Industrial school, near Lancaster, now vacant through resignation of Major F. C. Gerlach, filed petitions for his place as early as two weeks ago. There is now a large list of applicants who desire to rule the school, from which, during the last two days, 16 boys have escaped. Four got away New Year's, but three were captured.

Mrs. Park B. Blair and young son went to Columbus Thursday morning to spend the day.

LIVELY

Politics In West Virginia For Few Days

The Legislature Assembles There Today

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 2.—In compliance with the call of Gov. Glasscock the West Virginia legislature assembled today in extraordinary session. The sole purpose of the special session is to take up the question of a county officers' salary law and thereby abolish the existing fee system, under which the sheriffs and county clerks are declared to receive revenues out of all proportion to the services rendered.

The gathering of lawmakers for the special session marks the beginning of a period of political activity that promises to be the liveliest seen in West Virginia since the memorable senatorial struggle in 1898. As in that year the interest again centers in a contest for the United States senatorship.

The regular session of the legislature will begin next Wednesday. Two weeks later the two houses will proceed to the election of a United States senator to succeed Clarence W. Watson, whose term will expire next March.

In the November election West Virginia was conspicuous for resisting the Democratic landslide, and as a result the Republicans captured the legislature by a substantial margin. Consequently Senator Watson's seat is a prize sought by half a dozen ambitious Republicans, and a hot fight is on, with a legislative deadlock as a possibility.

The opposition that exists between the regular Republicans and the Progressives and matters that serve to make the senatorial contest an exceedingly complex affair and the outcome uncertain. As matters now stand the Progressives are generally conceded to hold the key to the situation.

The Progressive candidates for the seat of Senator Watson are William S. Edwards of Charleston and former Congressman W. P. Hubbard of Wheeling. In the regular Republican camp the names most frequently mentioned in connection with the senatorship are those of Davis Elkins of Morgantown, Isaac T. Mann of Brimwell and former Governor A. B. White of Parkersburg, but not only the first named two are waging aggressive campaigns. In the event of a deadlock Circuit Judge John W. Mason of Fairmont and several others are expected to loom up as candidates.

William S. Edwards is the man whom the other candidates believe they will have to beat in order to win the toga. Edwards is generally looked upon as the leading choice of the Progressives. He is related to Colonel Roosevelt through marriage and is a close friend of former Governor Dawson, the third party State chairman. Governor Glasscock also is classed as an Edwards supporter.

Davis Elkins, who can be counted on to put up a hard fight, is a son of the late Senator Stephen B. Elkins. Following the death of his father the younger Elkins served for a short time in the senate by appointment and he has a strong desire to return to that body. He is making a bid for the votes of the northern counties on geographical lines. His candidacy is supported by the wealth and influence of his grandfather, the venerable Henry G. Davis, who in his time held about every important office within the gift of the State of West Virginia.

Former Congressman Hubbard is a consummate politician and can be counted on to divide the strength of the Progressives with Mr. Edwards. Isaac T. Mann has been on the senatorial waiting list for several years and has been able to muster a potential following heretofore in the southern counties, but it is regarded as doubtful now if he can overcome the strength in that section reputed to be behind the Edwards movement. Former Governor White, another of the candidates, was originally a Roosevelt supporter, but changed back to Taft when the third party was projected. Friends of the other candidates declare that this has jeopardized White's chances for the senate and his candidacy may be better classified as receptive than active.

The Progressives may unite on either Edwards or Hubbard for the senatorship after each has had his trial in the legislative caucus, and the regular Republicans are believed likely to do the same thing as between Elkins and Mann.

Judge John W. Mason of Fairmont, who may be sprung as a compromise, announced his candidacy for the senate early last November and has a new been making a more or less active canvass. Judge Mason was commissioner of internal revenue under President Harrison.

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DEATH TOLL WAS LARGE DURING THE YEAR 1912

During the year just ended Death has levied unusually heavy toll, sparing neither crowned heads nor men and women distinguished by their rank, position or ability in every branch of human activity. Army and Navy, diplomacy, statesmanship and politics, commerce, industry and finance, literature and the arts, science, education, the Church, and many other realms have been invaded by the pitiless reaper and robbed of many distinguished men and women the loss of whom will be severely felt.

Mutsuhito, Emperor of Japan, under whose long reign Japan advanced from the obscure position of a semi-barbarous nation in the far East to that of a world power, commanding universal respect; Luitpold, prince regent of Bavaria and Frederick VIII., King of Denmark were the most prominent among the rulers of nations, who were removed by death during the year. Others were William Alexander, grand duke of Luxembourg, Matanza, former King of Samoa, Duke Francis Joseph of Bavaria, Infanta Maria Teresa, sister of the King of Spain, Prince Louis Murat, grandson of the King of Naples and the Duke of Fife, brother-in-law of King George V.

Among the noted soldiers who capitulated to death during 1912 were William von Hahnke, field marshal of the German Army Gen. Count Mare-suke Nogi, the noted Japanese commander; Homer Lea, general in the Chinese army and an authority on Chinese military affairs; Field Marshal Sir George Stuart White, the defender of Ladysmith; Maj. Gen. Sir John F. Maurice, one of the ablest British military writers; Gen. Edward S. Bragg, commander of the "Iron Brigade" during the Civil War, statesman and diplomatist; Lieut. Gen. Arthur MacArthur, noted for his services in the Philippines; Maj. Gen. Frederick Dent Grant, eldest son of the late Ulysses S. Grant and Lieut. Col. Frank Bridgman, the oldest retired army officer in the United States.

The Navy deplores the loss of many distinguished men, among them Sir Frederick William Richards and Sir Newell Salmon, admirals of the British

fleet; Rear-Admiral Aubrey, commander of the Italian fleet in the war with Tripoli; Vice Admiral Jules Marie de Cavellier de Cuverville, of the French navy; Rear-Admiral Robley D. Evans, the idol of the American navy; Rear-Admiral George W. Melville, the Arctic explorer; Rear Admirals John F. Hanscom, Benjamin P. Lambertson, Lucien Young and John M. Bowyer; Capt. Lucien F. Prud'homme, formerly professor of mathematics at the Naval Academy and James Rufus Tryon formerly medical director of the American navy.

The diplomatic service deplores the loss of Baron Adolf Marshall van Bieberstein, the noted German diplomatist; Joseph M. von Radowicz, formerly German ambassador to Turkey and Spain; Count Nicholas D. von der Osten-Sacken, Russian ambassador to Germany; Whitelaw Reid, American ambassador to Great Britain; Hamilton King, American minister to Siam; Col. A. Loudon Snowden, formerly American minister to Spain, Greece and the Balkan States; Alex. Watkins Terrell, formerly American minister to Turkey; Wm. Lindsay Scruggs, formerly American minister to Colombia and Venezuela; Wm. B. Sorsby, formerly minister to Bolivia; Dr. Yung Wing, the Chinese Diplomat and reformer; Thos. C. Dawson, an authority on Latin-American relations and Chester Holcombe, for many years secretary of the American legation at Peking.

The list of noted leaders in the realm of politics who died during the past year includes James S. Sherman, Vice President of the United States; Gen. Cincinnatus Leconte, President of Haiti; Alejandro Lopez de Romana, ex-President of Peru; Ramon Corral, formerly Vice President of Mexico; Lieut. Gen. Sir Frederick W. Kitchener, Governor of Bermuda; Aloys L. Coult, Lexa von Aehrenthal, premier of Austria-Hungary; Jose Canalejas Mendez, prime minister of Spain; Dr. M. G. Mikoyanovich, prime minister of Servia; Count Holstin-Lodreborg, former prime minister of Denmark; Arthur Wellesley Peel, Viscount Peel, formerly Speaker of the House of Commons; Henri Brisson, former president of the

French Chamber of Deputies; George Coulon, vice president of the French Council of State; Gen. Shiroku Ishimoto, the Japanese minister of war; Henry Labouchere, the British statesman and journalist; Auguste Marie Francois Beernaert, the Belgian statesman; Viscount Ouro Preto and Dr. J. M. da S. Paranhos, Baron do Rio Branco, two noted Brazilian statesmen and Gen. John Willock Noble, Secretary of the Interior under Harrison.

Usually great was the mortality among former governors of American States. The list of the victims includes Henry B. Cleeves and Frederick Roble of Maine; William A. Richards and John W. Hoyt of Wyoming; James D. Porter of Tennessee; Austin L. Crothers of Maryland; William Larabee of Iowa, John Fremont Hill of Vermont, Royal Chapin Taft of Rhode Island, Gen. Francis T. Nicholls of Louisiana and Charles B. Aycock of North Carolina.

The United States Senate lost four members by death during the year. Senators Isidor Rayner of Maryland, Robert Love Taylor of Tennessee, George Stuart Nixon of Nevada and Millet, Charles Schreyvogel, Aureliano Bernete, Robt. W. B. Browning, Robert Shaw, Jules Joseph Lefebvre, Albert Hertel, Walter L. Dyer, Chas. Gifford Dyer and Thos. P. Anschutz; the illustrators Arthur Lunley and Harry George Burgess, and the sculptors Louis Potter and Theodore Rivers.

The world of music also suffered great loss. Among the victims were the composers Julien Emile Frederic Massenet, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, Edgar Tinel, Jan Block, Frances Allitt and Dr. Gerrit Smith, and the musician Howard Malcolm Dow, William Kube, Edmund Singer and Siegfried Behrens.

Among the distinguished members of the stage who died during the year were the following: George Grossmith, Richard Temple, Edward O'Connor Terry and Wm. S. Penley, English actors; Felix Schweighofer, the Austrian comedian; Nathaniel D. Jones, the old time Boston actor; Mme. Judith, the noted French actress; Mrs. Annie Yeamans, the veteran of the American stage; Edith Crane, Beryl Faber, Marguerite Saxton, the former interpreter of Shakespearean roles and Herman Winklemann, the noted German operatic tenor.

The ranks of Journalism were thinned by the death of many noted writers and publishers, among them Stilson Hutchins, publisher of St. Louis and Washington, John Henry Holmes,

formerly editor and publisher of the Boston Herald, Capt. Henry R. Jones, proprietor and editor of the New Hartford Tribune; Col. Joseph E. Caven, William Thos. Stead, the English journalist, William Blackwood, editor of Blackwood's Magazine, Alexis Suvorin, the Russian editor; Dr. Isaac K. Funk, William Penn Nixon, editor of the Chicago Inter-Ocean; Col. Isaac F. Mack, for forty years editor of the Sandusky Register; Col. L. D. Burch, Mrs. Margaret Elizabeth Sangster, Bradford Torrey and the noted correspondents Capt. Frank Brinckley, Isaac Nelson Ford, Maj. John M. Carson, Col. W. C. Connelly, Jr., Gen. Duncan S. Walker and James Henry Haynie.

The realm of science did not escape the ravages of death and was deprived of the following distinguished representatives: Lord Lister, the discoverer of the antiseptic treatment in surgery; Sir William Henry Allchin, physician extraordinary of King George V; Sir William J. Sinclair, the noted English surgeon the following noted American practitioners: Drs. Norton Royce Hotchkiss, Arthur Frederick McDonald, John H. Musser, Maurice H. Richardson, Frederick Earl Beal, Jas. E. Newcomb, Arthur Tracy Cabot and Geo. M. Tuttle. The list also includes Prof. Hermann F. Wiebe, the distinguished German scientist, Dr. Morris Loeb, Dr. Waldemar Koch and Chas. Gilbert Wheeler, chemists; Jules Henri Poincare, the French mathematician; Dr. Wm. Sprenger, the X-ray expert; Dr. Auguste Renouard, the authority on embalming; Prof. Lewis Boss, director of the Dudley Observatory, Albany Dr. W. J. McGee, the anthropologist and geologist; Dr. Chas. Delano Cook, the leader of the dental profession; Ignatz Oestreicher, the expert in photographic chemistry and Capt. Theo. F. Townsend, the meteorologist.

Among the noted inventors who died during the year were Wilbur Wright, the inventor of the aeroplane; Major Eli H. Janney, inventor of car coupler; Wm. Stockney Lamson, pioneer inventor of cash carriers; Edward E. Kilbourn, inventor of hosiery machines; John Hope, inventor of the pantograph machine for engraving; Edward A. Calahan, inventor of stock tickers; Valdemar F. Lussane, who was associated with Edison in designing the Monitor and Johann Martin Schleyer, the inventor of Volapuk.

Engineers: Louis Delaunay-Belleville, Sidney Thos. Fuller, Stewart S. Neff and Maj. Benjamin M. Harrod, former member of the Isthmian Canal

commission. Architects: Daniel Hudson Burnham and Frank Furness.

Miscellaneous: General William Booth, founder and commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army; Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross Society; Henry Ware Putnam, one of the founders of the Germanic Museum at Harvard; Alfred Tennyson Dickens, son of Charles Dickens and noted lecturer, Arthur Hamilton Gordon, first Baron Stanmore, a distinguished British colonial official Gen. Hippolyte Langlois, Senator and member of the French Academy; Charles Thompson Harvey, an authority on elevated railroads; Galbraith P. Rodgers, first aviator to fly from Atlantic to Pacific; Robbins Little, for many years superintendent of the Astor Library in New York; Clifford S. Walton, an authority on commercial and maritime law; Alfred S. Hartwell, former Chief Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court; Frank C. Bostock, the animal collector and trainer; Solomon Luna, the largest sheep-raiser in the world; Col. Edward Cunningham, the "Sugar King" of Texas; John Alsop Paine, the archaeologist; Brig. Gen. Joseph M. Caffit, who fired first shot at Gettysburg; Capt. John Cussons, chief of scouts in the Confederate army; Chas. C. Overbeck, abolitionist and one of the founders of the Republican party; Gen. James B. Weaver, twice candidate for President on the Populist and Greenback tickets; Isaac P. Baldwin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy under President Polk; Jules Lombard, the famous street singer; Weldon B. Neyburn of Idaho; also the following former members: Anthony Higgins of Delaware, William D. Washburn of Minnesota, Fernando De Soto Money of Mississippi, John J. Patterson of South Carolina, William A. Peffer of Kansas, the founder of the Populist party, John Percival Jones of Nevada, Col. James Gordon of Mississippi, John L. Wilson of Washington, Gen. Henry H. Bingham of Pennsylvania, the "Father of the House of Representatives"; Congressman Geo. H. Utter of Rhode Island, George R. Malby of New York and former Congressman Leonidas F. Livingston of Georgia, George T. Southwick of New York, and many others.

If the Pittsburgh Pirates are successful in landing Roger Bresnahan and Ed Konetchy, of the Cardinals, the other National League teams will certainly know they have been playing ball when they tackle the Clark crew.